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In re application of:

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Examiner: Davis D. Hwu

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

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Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent & Trademark Office
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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed September 5, 2007, thereby extending the time period within which to respond to January 5, 2008.

This is a response to the Species Election of September 5, 2007. Applicant elects to prosecute the species identified as Species 1: Figures 1-4 and 14-24, in which claims 1-7, 8, 13 and 15-32 read thereon.

In a telephone conversation on December 17, 2007, the undersigned indicated that although the Examiner reviewed 70 claims, originally filed in the PCT application; as this was a 371 application, during prosecution of the PCT application, the 70 claims were reduced to 32 in order to meet the criteria set forth in PCT Article 32 (2)-(4) for novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability. Therefore, the claims elected above pertain to those 32 claims.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this application is requested. If the Examiner notes any minor errors, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned so that the matter can be promptly handled by Examiner's amendment.

Please charge the three month extension of time and any additional fees or credit any overpayments as a result of the filing of this paper to our Deposit Account No. 02-3978.

Respectfully submitted,

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